

Hawaii MARINE LIFESTYLES

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This living site is a remnant of two eating houses in an ancient Hawaiian settlement that once occupied Waimea Valley, one of the earliest places on the island that was inhabited and one of two important religious and spiritual sites in the area.



The Cannon Ball Tree comes from the Brazil Nut Family and produces fruit that weighs close to 10 pounds.



Non-native animals, such as the Common Peafowl, cohabit with a number of native Hawaiian as well as migratory animals in Waimea Valley.

Waimea Valley: Sacred site

Carved by rain and wind, and settled by Polynesians around 2,000 years ago, the valley is steeped in Hawaiian history and abundant in wildlife

Staff Sgt. Ronna M. Weyland

Managing Editor

Over the last few years ideas of what to do with the land in Waimea Valley has changed. However, one thing remains the same ... the more than 1,800 acres of tropical beauty growing in the iron-rich soil.

The facility, now known as the Waimea Valley Audubon Center, was opened to the public in June 2003. Gone are the days of cliff divers at the falls and ATV rides, but adventure can still be found looking for bird species or checking out one of the 35 different botanical gardens along 3.5 miles of trails.

"The public embraced the whole game plan from the beginning," said Diana King, center director. "We had wonderful support from the residents here."

More than 8,000 volunteer hours were logged in the first year Audubon took over operations.

"Now we have an average of 1,000 volunteer hours per month," added King. "We couldn't do it without the volunteers."

More than 6,000 rare species of plants that can be found in Waimea Valley.



A lifeguard explains the dangers of the current close to the Waihi Falls to a visitor. Lifeguards are on hand to supervise the safety of the swimming area.

"I couldn't believe all of the different tropical plants in the park," said Angela Barton, visiting from San Antonio.

Each area is separated into a botanical garden by family type and origin.

"I liked the way each area [garden] is made up of a certain type of plant family," said Barton. "I think that gives you a better idea of what the differences are within the family."

Along the trails, many different types of wildlife can be found as well. From the endangered species of the Alae ula, or Common Moorhen, to the Pikake, or Common Peafowl, there is a wide variety of both native and migratory birds in the area.

For those looking to go for a swim or see the Waihi Falls, there is a 3/4-mile trail leading to the 40-foot waterfall and pool of water. Lifeguards are on duty at all times and swimming is allowed during conditions when the current is not too strong.

There is a changing area near the falls, so visitors can trade their wet clothes for dry ones after swimming.

"If you are coming to Hawaii to visit or live, you really need to visit Waimea Valley," said King. "I guess you can say it is a lot like what all of Oahu used to be like years ago."



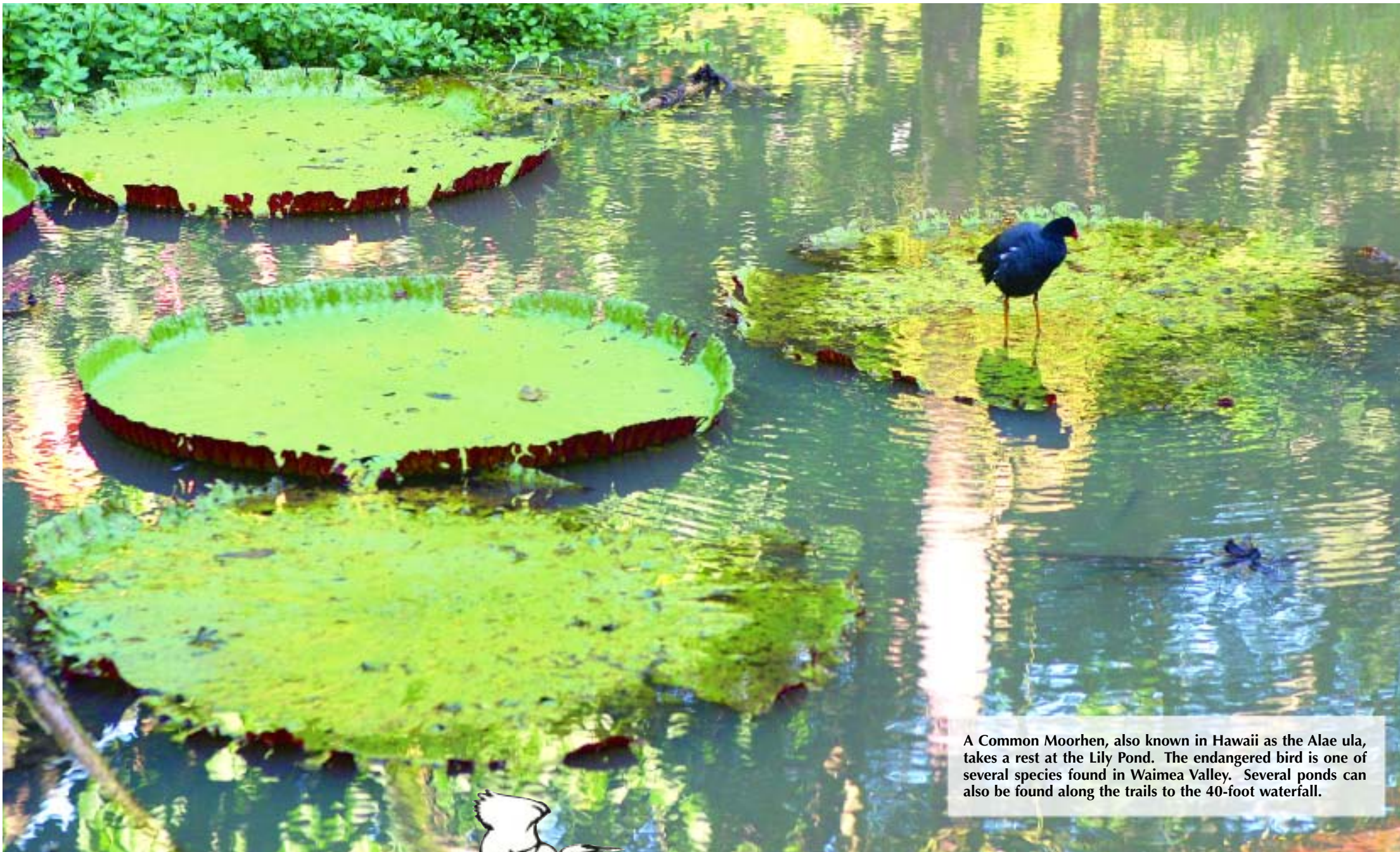
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A Common Moorhen, also known in Hawaii as the Alae ula, takes a rest at the Lily Pond. The endangered bird is one of several species found in Waimea Valley. Several ponds can also be found along the trails to the 40-foot waterfall.



WAIMEA VALLEY Audubon CENTER

Papa sets up shop at the Annex

Bobbie Brock
MCCS Marketing

The convenience of ordering pizza and having it delivered is about to get easier for residents and employees of Marine Corps Base Hawaii. A favorite local pizzeria, Papa John's, has set up shop right on base between the Wiki Wiki Market and Dunkin' Donuts, centrally located within the Marine Corps Exchange Annex compound at 1090 Seldon



Road. Rolling out the red carpet at tomorrow's Grand Opening, Papa John's will be offering a VIP special,

from 2 to 4 p.m.: one slice of pizza and a soda for only \$1. This steal of a meal will be offered to all customers who step through their doors so be sure to bring the whole gang. Always a huge supporter of the Marines and Sailors of MCB Hawaii, it was a logical move for Papa John's to establish a location here. Talk is that this will be a flagship franchise for Papa John's — anticipated to be one of the biggest, busiest and best locations — and will be the first on

Oahu to have indoor and outdoor seating. Like all other Papa John's locations, customers will be able to order their favorite specialty pie or create a custom pie with their choice of toppings, add on bread or cheese sticks, or order a variety of other additional popular items. Whether you want to order pizzas delivered to the office for lunch, have a hankering for a pie for dinner, or just want a snack for the gang after a

hard day of play, Papa John's new location will be more convenient and quicker for residents and DoD employees to buy a pizza pie anytime. Papa John's is open Sundays through Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m., and Fridays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to midnight. For more information or to place an order, call 254-4005 or visit www.papajohnshawaii.com. Larger orders can be faxed in to 254-4533.

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Possibilities in Paradise



Kahuna's Bar & Grill

254-7660/7661

Kahuna's Presents USA Boxing State Advance Tournament — Head to Kahuna's Community Ballroom and join Budweiser and the Bud Girls for three days of hard-hitting boxing action. The action begins at 7 p.m. on both Jan. 14 and 15, and noon on Jan. 16. The bar & grill will be open, so make an evening of it! For more information, call 254-7660.



Hawaii Championship Wrestling Live at Kahuna's — There's going to be a brawl at Kahuna's Community Ballroom Jan. 22 but the MPs don't care. Why? Because it's Hawaii Championship Wrestling at Kahuna's! Beginning at 7 p.m., wrestlers will provide slamming entertainment for E-5 and below, for free! Yes, folks, we said free. For details, call 254-7661.

Kahuna's and Super Brawl Presents K-Bay Full Contact Showdown — nine fights, one night, only at Kahuna's Community Ballroom Jan. 28. Watch as con-



Staff NCO Club

254-5481

All Hands Texas Hold 'em Poker Tournament — Make your play at the Texas Hold 'em Poker Tournament. The tournament begins at the Fairways Ballroom Jan. 29 at 8 p.m. Be sure to come early to secure your spot at the table. For more details or to sign up, call 254-5481.

Super Bowl Party — The big game is on the big screen at the Rocker Room Feb. 1. The club opens at 11 a.m., and game time is 1 p.m. The cost is only \$5 for members, and \$8 for nonmembers.

The pupu menu includes hot wings, hoagies, chips and veggie platters. There will also be half-time prize drawings.



Officers' Club

254-7650/7649

Super Bowl Party — Watch the game Feb. 1 in the comfort of the Officers' Club and in the company and camaraderie of your friends. Tickets are \$12 for members, and \$14 for nonmembers. The club opens at 11 a.m., and kickoff is at 1 p.m. The perfect Super Bowl pupus will be available including a fajita and nacho bar, veggies chili and more. To sign up, call the club at 254-7641.

All Hands

Military Academic Skills Program (MASP) Offered — All military service members, and civilians on a space available basis are invited to the MASP class at the Joint Education Center on Monday. This class Improves Armed Forces Classification Test (AFCT/ASVAB) scores, allowing Marines and Sailors to re-enlist, qualify for specialized schools, and MOSS. Two pre-tests are required, so call the JEC at 257-2158.

PCS Move Workshop and Terrorism Awareness Brief — All outbound Marines and Sailors and their family members are encouraged to attend this workshop to be held Wednesday from 8 a.m. until noon

at the CVIC Building (267). To sign up, call 257-7790 or 257-7797.

Sponsorship Class — This free class is offered to all assigned sponsors for incoming new members and their families. Class will be held at the CVIC Building (267) Thursday from 9 to 11 a.m. Orders not required to attend but sign ups are required. To register, call Marie Jesus at 257-7790.

Commanding General's Community Information Forum — The entire MCB Hawaii community is invited to Kahuna's Community Ballroom, this Thursday, from 6 until 9 p.m. More than 40 subject matter experts representing every operation on base will be present to offer information and answer questions. Refreshments will be provided by the Aloha Auto Group. For more details, call 257-7786.

Key Volunteer Training — Key Volunteers serve as the connectors between Command and family members during deployments. Get connected at the January training session, to be held in Building 3022, Jan. 25 – 27, 5:30 – 9 p.m. To register, call Karen Rochon at 257-2410.

L.I.N.K.S. Session — L.I.N.K.S. is a key program for helping spouses thrive in the military community. Newcomers to the military lifestyle or even MCB Hawaii are encouraged to attend the class in Building 3074 Jan. 25 – 26 from 9 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. each day. To register, call Ashley Slavik at 257-2368.

Ongoing

Moto Mail Delivers — Send a lasting memory to the Marines and Sailors deployed to Iraq, Afghanistan or Bahrain with Marine Corps Motivational Mail System, Moto Mail. This communication system allows senders to write an e-mail or even scan hand-written letters and send them to a special machine located in each deployed area. The machine prints, folds and seals your e-mail into a tangible letter that is delivered to your Marine or Sailor in their daily mail call — usually within 24 hours. For more information or to sign in, visit www.motomail.us.

Super Bowl XXXIX Wings — Hosting your own Super Bowl party? The club will have wing platters to go including 50 hot wings, bleu cheese dressing and celery. Keep it simple, order a platter to go and pick it up at the club on Feb. 6. No hassles, no mess! Place your order between Jan. 3 and Feb. 6. The cost is \$25.95 for Staff NCO and The Officers' Club members, and all E-5 and below. Nonmembers pay \$29.95. To order or for more information, call 254-5481.

Pro Bowl Tickets Available at I.T.T. — Tickets are still on sale for the Pro Bowl. They're sold on a first come first serve basis, so go to Information, Tickets and Tours for yours. Prices vary depending on seat

selection, 254-7563.

Entertainment Books — The 2005 Entertainment Books with great discounts on all of your favorite activities and restaurants in Hawaii is on sale now. The books cost \$30 and are great as holiday gifts. For more details, call Information, Tickets and Tours at 254-7563.

Mega Video — Check out these weekly rental specials. Monday — Rent one new release, get one category movie free. Tuesday — Rent a video game at regular price and rent a second one for \$2.50. Wednesday — Rent three new releases (VHS or DVD), receive an extra day rental. Thursday — Rent one DVD at the regular price, rent the second one for \$1.75 (includes new releases). Friday — Rent family and children's movies for 75-cents (no new releases). Saturday — Rent any basic stock movie (no new releases) for regular price and rent the second stock movie for \$1.25. Sunday — Rent any Sunday Special movie for \$1. (Each week is a different section. See store calendar for selected section.)

Fix it Yourself — Want to do a little work on your prized vehicle, but don't have the space or tools to get the job done? Cruise on over to the Auto Skills Center located at Building 3097, next to the 24-hour car wash, and utilize their tools to get your baby back in top form. Certified Hawaii Safety inspections are also available weekdays from noon to 6 p.m. and weekends and holidays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call 254-7674 for more information.

Swing Lessons — Kahuna's Ballroom is teaching you how to dance. Every Monday, swing dance lessons will be taught from 7 to 9 p.m. The cost is only \$2 so grab a partner and get ready to twist, twirl and spin the night away. For more details, call 254-7660.

Salsa Lessons — Impress her with your fancy foot and hip action. Take a few salsa lessons at Kahuna's Ballroom every Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m. and you will be set to hit the town. Lessons are \$2. For more details, call 254-7660.

Mongolian Barbecue — Don't feel like cooking dinner? Every Wednesday and Friday night, head out to The Officers' Club for Mongolian Barbecue and leave the work to the professionals. Buffet style, select your favorite veggies and meat including chicken, shrimp, pork and beef; pile your bowl high, and kick it up a notch with a sauce of your choice. Then watch the grill masters flip, sauté and grill your dinner to perfection. Mongolian Barbecue is served every Wednesday and Friday at 5:30 p.m. For more info, call 254-7649.

Tradewind Travel — If travel is in your future, look to Tradewind Travel to book your next trip. Located in Mokapu Mall, Tradewind Travel can arrange mainland flights, interisland packages, Norwegian Cruises and most recently, a five-

night Sydney, Australia package. Tradewind Travel is open Mondays – Fridays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information, call 254-7413.

ASYMCA Playmornings — Kids and parents are all invited to come have fun at the Armed Services YMCA "Playmornings." Spend quality time with your children and get to know other families aboard the base. Playmornings is a facilitated parent-child program to encourage bonding within and amongst families. Enjoy crafts, games, songs and fun at various locations across the base. The program runs Mondays through Fridays, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at the following locations: Mondays at Hale Koa Beach, Tuesdays at the Youth Activities Building 5082, Wednesdays and Fridays at the Super Playground and Thursdays at Connor Loop Playground. In case of inclement weather, head to the Armed Services YMCA at Building 1638. For more details, call 254-4719.

Looking for a Job? — Marine Corps Community Services employs more than 850 employees in retail, food and hospitality, fitness, child and youth activities, water safety, logistics and administration. Stop by the MCCS Personnel office located in Building 219. Get a job or career that suits your skills, schedule and style. For more information and find the position that's perfect for you, call 254-7619 or visit www.mccshawaii.com/jobs_listings.html.

MCCS One Source — MCCS One Source provides active duty and their families, reservists, sister services and service delivery staff with information and resources that can help improve many areas of life. From relocation to education needs, family support to health and wellness, financial matters to everyday issues, MCCS One Source is your one stop resource to finding information, finding guidance, and finding answers. By using credentialed consultants, patrons have confidential access to prepaid educational materials and other reference resources 24-hours a day, seven days a week. Registration is easy for MCCS One Source. To create your own personal profile, log on to the MCCSOneSource.com Web site, and enter "Marines" as your user name. Then enter "semper fi" as your password. For more interactive assistance, call a One Source consultant at: CONUS: (800) 433-6868, or OCONUS Universal Free Phone: (800) 237-42374, or OCONUS collect: (484) 530-5908. TTY/TDD access is available through (800) 346-9188.

Family Child Care — Family Child Care is a home setting child care service provider operated by MCCS Personal Services with certified providers trained in child development, nutrition, guidance and more. Family Child Care provides a flexible schedule including evenings, weekends, and overnight care. To find a Family Child Care Provider, call the Children, Youth and Teen Program at 257-7430. To become a Family Child Care Provider at MCB Hawaii, call FCC at 257-7030.

SM&SP

SINGLE MARINE & SAILOR PROGRAM

All events are open to unaccompanied E-5 and below who are active duty Marines or Sailors. The SM&SP Office is located in Building 1629, inside the Kahuna's Recreation Center. Get more details on activities at www.MCCS-Hawaii.com under the "Semper Fitness" icon, or call 254-7593.

Upcoming Events

SM&SP Maui Island Trip: Head to the Valley Isle with the Single Marine & Sailor Program, Jan. 14 – 17. The cost is \$255 per person, so you won't break the bank. Space is limited, so register now. Price includes airfare, accommodations and rental vans. For more information, call the SM&SP Office at 254-7593.

Scrapbooking 101: Learn the magic of Scrapbooking on Jan. 19 at 6 p.m. Preserve your favorite photos for personal memories or as a gift.

MOVIE TIME

Prices: Adults (12 and older) are \$3, children 6 to 11, \$1.50 and children 5 and younger, free. Matinee prices are \$2 for adults, \$1 for children. Parents must purchase tickets for R-rated movies in person at the box office for children 16-years-old and younger. Sunday evenings, the price is \$1 for all patrons. Show your ID card at the box office. Call 254-7642 for recorded information.

Sneak Preview Policy: One hour and 45 minutes prior to the movie, tickets will be issued to first priority patrons waiting in line, then second and third priority patrons.

The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie (PG)	Today at 7:15 p.m.
Bridget Jones: The Edge of Reason (R)	Today at 9:45 p.m.
The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie (PG)	Saturday at 7:15 p.m.
After the Sunset (PG)	Saturday at 9:45 p.m.
National Treasure (PG)	Sunday at 2:00 p.m.
Christmas with the Kranks (PG)	Sunday at 6:30 p.m.
Bridget Jones: The Edge of Reason (R)	Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.
Alexander (R)	Friday at 7:15 p.m.



Frosty forecast

Snow was on Oahu, and Kaneohe Bay Marine Corps Base was the center of the action. A couple tons of white fun was dumped onto basketball courts across from Fort Hase Beach, Dec. 23, for the children on base, as well as a few daring Marines, to enjoy. Forts and snowballs weren't the only excitement that awaited children though. A dunk tank, craft booth, food line, and of course, a visit from Santa Clause all helped round off the holiday festivities.

Cpl. Megan L. Stiner



Left — Elsa Lovejoy, 5, tells Santa she wants a unicorn for Christmas after receiving a stuffed dog, candy and a book from Jolly Old Saint Nick.

—WORD TO PASS—

DoD Seeks Those With Unique Military Jobs for TV Documentary

The DoD's Joint Advertising, Market Research & Studies (JAMRS) office is recruiting service members with different military jobs to participate in a made-for-TV documentary being shot this summer. If you or a fellow service member has an intriguing or unique job and want to volunteer your time and story, contact JAMRS.

The documentary will highlight jobs that the public may not necessarily associate with the Military. Most everyone knows the services have fighter pilots, paratroopers, and computer experts, but this documentary aims to show the public what they haven't seen before and emphasize the vast array of experiences and training the services offer.

It will also illustrate how service members found their way to that job: through a recruiter or other avenues.

The audience for the documentary will be parents, educators, and any adults who help young people make decisions about their careers and futures.

To nominate yourself or someone you know, please complete an online questionnaire at www.jamrs.org/programs/documentary_casting_call.php before Jan. 15.

Candidates will be selected from nominees/applicants in late January. Editing and production will take place summer 2005.

For more information, e-mail jamrsdoc@osd.pentagon.mil.

Base Library Honors Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

The base library will honor Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with a photo exhibit Sunday through Jan. 15. Information and displays for all ages will be posted during the week.

For more information, call 254-7624.

Cultural Center celebrates Year of the Rooster

Come help celebrate the Year of the Rooster at the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii's New Year's Ohana Festival on Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Cultural Center and Moiliili Field.

They are currently seeking volunteers to help set up, run and break down displays, and assist with escorting and parking.

The festival will showcase multicultural cuisine and entertainment; cultural art displays and demonstrations, a craft fair, antiques and books and "make and take" activities and rides for children. Admission is free and there will be a free trolley service from UH Manoa, Dole Street parking structure and JCCH all day.

For more details, call 945-7633, ext. 33.

FBI to Hold Career Seminar

If you're interested in a career with the FBI, learn about special requirements during the FBI

Career Seminar, Jan. 14, at the University of Hawaii at Manoa, Campus Center, Room 308 from 11 a.m. to noon. Entry-level salary is \$45,735, and from \$56,240 to \$61,045 upon graduation from the academy.

For more details, call 956-8136 or Special Agent Kal Wong at 566-4488.

Convention Center Presents Slack Key Night

Hawaii Convention Center welcomes Hawaiian music enthusiasts to the first concert of the Hawaiian Music Night series, Slack Key Night, on Jan. 21 at 7:30 p.m.

This first concert will feature slack key guitarists George Kahumoku, Ledward Kaapana, and Daniel Ho, as well as a surprise guest.

Cost is \$25 and includes complimentary pupus, punch and wine served during intermission. Parking is free and tickets can be purchased by calling 943-3500 Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Performers Invited to Enter Comedic Drama Competition

The Hawaii chapter of the National Society of Arts & Letters is sponsoring a comedic drama competition on Feb. 14 at the Hawaii Theatre. The local competition offers a first place prize of \$1,000 and the chance to compete at the national convention of NSAL, which will be held at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel in May and will offer a grand prize of \$10,000.

The competition theme is "Acting for Comedy." Performance requirements have each contestant presenting two audition monologues or soliloquies from memory and in English. One selection must be from a Greek, Roman, Elizabethan, Jacobean, Restoration or 18th century British comedy or an English translation of a play by Moliere. The other selection must be from a recognized, published, modern or contemporary comic play of artistic merit and which is regularly performed (e.g., Albee, Checkov, Gurney, Simon, Hellman, Ionesco, Miller, Pinter, Wilde, Williams, etc.).

The competition is open to performers ages 18 – 29 (as of May 20) and the Hawaii deadline for entries is Jan. 31. For more details or an application, contact Sarah Richards at 791-1303 or sarahrichards@hawaii.rr.com.

Chapel Offers Relationship Enhancement Program

The Christian Prevention and Relationship Enhancement Program will hold a free workshop Feb. 12 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The program is a communication and problem solving skills workshop for married and engaged couples. It will be held at the Base Chapel (Building 1090). Materials and lunch will be provided free of cost.

To sign up or for more information, contact Chaplain Nazario at 257-3552 ext. 23.



Sgt. Joseph Lee

Oh, what a relief it is

Barbara Guervil (right) receives a pin and a certificate from Patricia (Auntie) Perry, director of the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society here, for her outstanding achievement as the Volunteer of the Quarter during the fourth quarter of 2004. Yaimy Marshall (center), who was presented with the Hourly Award, helped to present awards to her peers. The ceremony was hosted here recently at Zoe Trautman’s home.

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ON THE MENU

AT ANDERSON HALL

Today

Lunch
Beef Balls Stroganoff
Baked Fish Fillet
Macaroni and Cheese
Garlic Roasted Potato Wedges
Mixed Vegetables
Raisin Drop Cookies
Asst. Fruit Pies

Dinner
Tacos (Ground Beef)
Chicken Enchiladas
Chili Conquistador Burritos
Refried Beans
Mexican Rice
Raisin Drop Cookies
Asst. Fruit Pies

Specialty Bar (Lunch and Dinner)
Pasta Bar

Sunday

Brunch/Dinner
Swiss Steak w/Mushroom Gravy
Glazed Rock Cornish Hens
Rice Pilaf
Mashed Potatoes
Southern Style Green Beans
Yellow Cake w/Butter Cream Frosting
Salad Bar
w/Assorted Dressing

Monday

Lunch
Beef Stew
Baked Fish Fillets
Baked Macaroni and Cheese
Steamed Rice
French Fried Okra
Oatmeal Cookies
Asst. Fruit Pies

Dinner
Italian Veal Steaks
Braised Pork Chops, Bone In
O'Brien Potatoes
Steamed Rice
Peas w/Onions
Oatmeal Cookies
Asst. Fruit Pies

Specialty Bar (Lunch and Dinner)
Pasta Bar



Tuesday

Lunch
Chicken Parmesan
Cajun Fish Fillet
Steamed Rice
Boiled Egg Noodles
Simmered Asparagus
Oatmeal Raisin Cookies
Asst. Fruit Pies

Dinner
Southern Fried Chicken
Beef Balls Stroganoff
Parsley Butter Potatoes
Boiled Egg Noodles
Simmered Pinto Beans
Oatmeal Raisin Cookies
Asst. Fruit Pies

Specialty Bar (Lunch and Dinner)
Taco Bar

Wednesday

Lunch
Chili Macaroni
Roast Turkey
Grilled Cheese Sandwich
Mashed Potatoes
Glazed Carrots
Brownies
Asst. Fruit Pies

Dinner
Meat Loaf

Pork Ham Roast
Mashed Potatoes
Tossed Green Rice
Cauliflower Combo
Brownies
Asst. Fruit Pies



Specialty Bar (Lunch and Dinner)
Country Bar

Thursday

Lunch
Salisbury Steak
Barbecue Chicken
Rice Pilaf
Oven Browned Potatoes
Corn on the Cob
White Cake w/Lemon Cream Frosting
Asst. Fruit Pies

Dinner
Beef Yakisoba
Orange Chicken
Fried Rice
Steamed Rice
Fried Cabbage w/Bacon
Brown Gravy
White Cake w/Lemon Cream Frosting
Asst. Fruit Pies

Specialty Bar (Lunch and Dinner)
Taco Bar

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Hawaii to see BAH raised

Press Release

U.S. Pacific Command

OAHU, Hawaii – Servicemembers stationed in Hawaii will see an increase to their Basic Allowance for Housing beginning Jan. 1, according to Eddie Fowles, a Personnel Policy Analyst with U.S. Pacific Command's Manpower and Personnel Administration Directorate.

The Department of Defense determined an average increase of 21.1 percent for service members on Oahu, 29 percent on Hawaii (Big Island) and 18.1 percent on Maui to offset rising housing costs in Hawaii.

There are several reasons for the increase in BAH rates, which reflect an effort to ensure service members receive appropriate compensation for local housing. The Department of Defense and the Services conducted an on-site visit in August to assess local rates, which reflect Hawaii's booming real estate market; for the first time, Kauai's rates were computed separately from Oahu's rates. Finally, as authorized in the fiscal year 2000 National Defense Authorization Act, this is also the final year of the DoD effort to reduce out-of-pocket housing expenses to zero.

More information about BAH, including calculators and explanations on how BAH is determined, can be found at the Per Diem Web site at www.dtic.mil/perdiem/index.html.

Proposed Basic Pay — Effective Jan. 1, 2005 1/													Based on cumulative years of service		
Pay Grade	2 or less	Over 2	Over 3	Over 4	Over 6	Over 8	Over 10	Over 12	Over 14	Over 16	Over 18	Over 20	Over 22	Over 24	Over 26
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O-9	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,337.90	11,501.10	11,737.20	12,149.10
O-8	8,022.30	8,285.10	8,459.40	8,508.30	8,725.50	9,089.40	9,173.70	9,519.00	9,618.00	9,915.30	10,345.50	10,742.40	11,007.60	11,007.60	11,007.60
O-7	6,666.00	6,975.60	7,119.00	7,233.00	7,439.10	7,642.50	7,878.30	8,113.50	8,349.00	9,089.40	9,714.60	9,714.60	9,714.60	9,714.60	9,763.80
O-6	4,940.70	5,427.90	5,784.00	5,784.00	5,805.90	6,054.90	6,087.90	6,087.90	6,433.80	7,045.50	7,404.60	7,763.40	7,967.70	8,174.10	8,575.50
O-5	4,118.70	4,639.80	4,961.10	5,021.40	5,221.50	5,341.80	5,605.50	5,799.00	6,048.60	6,431.10	6,613.20	6,793.20	6,997.50	6,997.50	6,997.50
O-4	3,553.80	4,113.90	4,388.40	4,449.60	4,704.30	4,977.60	5,317.50	5,582.70	5,766.60	5,872.20	5,933.70	5,933.70	5,933.70	5,933.70	5,933.70
O-3	3,124.50	3,542.10	3,823.20	4,168.20	4,367.70	4,586.70	4,728.60	4,962.00	5,083.20	5,083.20	5,083.20	5,083.20	5,083.20	5,083.20	5,083.20
O-2	2,699.40	3,074.70	3,541.20	3,660.90	3,736.20	3,736.20	3,736.20	3,736.20	3,736.20	3,736.20	3,736.20	3,736.20	3,736.20	3,736.20	3,736.20
O-1	2,343.60	2,439.00	2,948.10	2,948.10	2,948.10	2,948.10	2,948.10	2,948.10	2,948.10	2,948.10	2,948.10	2,948.10	2,948.10	2,948.10	2,948.10
O-3E ^{3/}	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,168.20	4,367.70	4,586.70	4,728.60	4,962.00	5,158.50	5,271.00	5,424.60	5,424.60	5,424.60	5,424.60	5,424.60
O-2E ^{3/}	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,660.90	3,736.20	3,855.30	4,055.70	4,211.10	4,326.60	4,326.60	4,326.60	4,326.60	4,326.60	4,326.60	4,326.60
O-1E ^{3/}	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,948.10	3,148.80	3,264.90	3,383.70	3,500.70	3,660.90	3,660.90	3,660.90	3,660.90	3,660.90	3,660.90	3,660.90
W-5	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,548.20	5,738.40	5,929.20	6,121.20
W-4	3,228.60	3,473.40	3,573.30	3,671.40	3,840.30	4,007.10	4,176.30	4,341.00	4,511.70	4,779.00	4,950.00	5,117.40	5,290.80	5,461.80	5,636.40
W-3	2,948.40	3,071.70	3,197.40	3,238.80	3,371.10	3,522.30	3,721.80	3,918.90	4,128.30	4,285.50	4,442.10	4,509.30	4,578.90	4,730.10	4,881.30
W-2	2,593.50	2,741.70	2,871.30	2,965.50	3,046.20	3,268.20	3,438.00	3,564.00	3,687.00	3,771.30	3,842.40	3,977.40	4,111.50	4,247.40	4,247.40
W-1	2,290.20	2,477.70	2,603.10	2,684.40	2,900.40	3,030.90	3,146.40	3,275.40	3,360.90	3,438.30	3,564.30	3,659.70	3,659.70	3,659.70	3,659.70
E-9 ^{4/}	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,901.20	3,989.70	4,101.00	4,232.40	4,364.10	4,575.90	4,755.00	4,943.70	5,231.70
E-8	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,193.50	3,334.80	3,422.10	3,527.10	3,640.50	3,845.40	3,949.20	4,125.90	4,224.00	4,465.20
E-7	2,220.00	2,423.10	2,515.80	2,638.80	2,734.50	2,899.50	2,992.20	3,084.60	3,249.60	3,332.40	3,410.70	3,458.70	3,620.40	3,725.10	3,990.00
E-6	1,920.30	2,112.60	2,205.90	2,296.50	2,391.00	2,604.30	2,687.10	2,779.20	2,859.90	2,888.70	2,908.20	2,908.20	2,908.20	2,908.20	2,908.20
E-5	1,759.50	1,887.10	1,967.70	2,060.70	2,205.30	2,329.80	2,421.60	2,450.70	2,450.70	2,450.70	2,450.70	2,450.70	2,450.70	2,450.70	2,450.70
E-4	1,612.80	1,695.60	1,787.10	1,877.70	1,957.80	NOTES: 1. While serving as JCS/Vice JCS, CNO, CMC, Army/Air Force CS, commander of a unified or specified combatant command, basic pay is \$15,146.40 (See note 2). 2. Basic pay for an O-7 to O-10 is limited by Level III of the Executive Schedule which is \$12,433.20. Basic pay for O-6 and below is limited by Level V of the Executive Schedule which is \$10,950.00. 3. Applicable to O-1 to O-3 with at least 4 years & 1 day of active duty or more than 1460 points as a warrant and/or enlisted member. See DoDFMR for more detailed explanation on who is eligible for this special basic pay rate. 4. For the MCPO of the Navy, CMSgt of the AF, Sergeant Major of the Army or Marine Corps, basic pay is \$6,304.20. Combat Zone Tax Exclusion for O-1 and above is based on this basic pay rate plus HFP/IDP which is \$225.00.									
E-3	1,456.20	1,547.70	1,641.00	1,641.00	1,641.00										
E-2	1,384.50	1,384.50	1,384.50	1,384.50	1,384.50										
E-1 4 mos +	1,235.10	1,235.10	1,235.10	1,235.10	1,235.10										
E-1 - 4 mos	1,142.70														